GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:419
ANSWERED ON:18.12.2002
REPRESENTATION FROM DOCTORS
A.F. GOLAM OSMANI

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the various Associations of Doctors who have obtained degrees from medical colleges in the erstwhile USSR have represented to the Medical Council of India (MCI) against unfavourable treatment being meted out to them;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) the Government`s reaction on such representations?

Answer

MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SHATRUGHAN SINHA)

(a)to(c): A statement is laid on the table of the Lok Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 419 FOR 18.12.2002

Some of the Indian students who have obtained their primary medical degree from the medical institutions in the erstwhile USSR have individually and through their associations represented to the Central Government requesting for exemption from the requirement of qualifying the Screening test for the purpose of grant of registration to them to practice medicine in India. It has not been possible for the Government to agree to the request made by the students as the requirement of qualifying the Screening test is as per the provisions of the Indian Medical Council(Amendment) Act, 2001 and the Screening Test Regulations, 2002 framed thereunder. As per these Regulations, any Indian citizen possessing a primary medical qualification awarded by any medical institution outside India, who is desirous of getting provisional or permanent registration with Medical Council of India or any State Medical Councils on or after 15th March 2002 shall have to qualify the Screening test conducted by the prescribed authority for that purpose. The primary medical qualification possessed by the Indian students must be a recognised medical qualification for enrollment as medical practitioner in the country in which the institution awarding the said qualification is situated and which is equivalent to MBBS in India.